GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services - Finance Department - Misappropriation of public funds to an extent of Rs.67.73 lakhs - Watersheds under DPAP & EAS in Medak District – Departmental proceedings recommended against Sri K.Vijaya Satyanand, Assistant Section Officer [Retired Under Suspension], for the irregularities committed by him – Article of charges – Issued.

FINANCE(OP.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.299 **Date: 29.01.2025**

Read the following:-

1.G.O.Ms No.119, Finance(OP.I) Department dt:- 03-11-2023
2.G.O.Ms No.123, Finance(OP.I) Department dt:- 23.11.2023

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ORDER:

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government under sub-clause (i) of clause (b) of sub-rule (2) of Rule 9 of the Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for instituting departmental proceedings against Sri K.Vijaya Satyanand, Assistant Section Officer (Retired Under Suspension), in the G.Os read above, it is proposed to hold an inquiry against the said Sri K Vijaya Satyanand, Assistant Section Officer (Retired Under Suspension) for misappropriation of watershed funds to the tune of Rs.67.73 lakhs, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the A.P.C.S. (CCA) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 9 of A.P Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge (Annexure.I). A statement of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure.II). A list of witness by whom and a list of documents by which, the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure III and IV).

3. Sri K.Vijaya Satyanand, Assistant Section Officer (Retired Under Suspension) is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this order a written statement of his defence and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.

4. He is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri K Vijaya Satyanand, Assistant Section Officer (Retired Under Suspension) is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 3 above, or does not appear in person before the inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of the A.P.C.S. (CCA) Rules, 1991, read with Rule 9 of A.P Revised Pension Rules, 1980 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the inquiring authority may hold the inquiry against him ex parte.

6. The receipt of this G.O. may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

PEEYUSH KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri K. Vijaya Satyanand, Assistant Section Officer, Finance Department
(Retired Under Suspension),Flat No. G-8, Prashanthi Pranganam,Road No.01,
Doctors Colony, Hyderabad -500035, Telangana State.
Copy to
The Special Chief Secretary to Government, Finance Department, Secretariat,
Government of Telangana.
SF/SCs(2028754)

//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE – I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. VIJAYA SATYANAND, THE THEN ASSISTANT SECTION OFFICER, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, NOW ASSISTANT SECTION OFFICER, RETIRED UNDER SUSPENSION, IS PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

CHARGE – 1

That the said Sri K Vijaya Satyanand, while working as Assistant Section Officer, Finance Department has floated a Non Governmental Organization namely Organisation for Rural Education Development and misused the Water Shed Development funds to a tune of Rs.67.73 Lakhs. This amounts to failure in maintaining absolute integrity and a sense of propriety and thereby disobedience to the Government instructions. Thus he has violated Rule 3(1) (2) of A.P.C.S. Conduct Rules 1964.

CHARGE – 2

That the said Sri K Vijaya Satyanand, while working as Assistant Section Officer, Finance Department has set up a Non Governmental Organization namely Organisation for Rural Education Development, without permission of Government to undertake other than honorary work of a special or charitable nature. This amounts to failure in maintaining discipline and a sense of propriety and thereby disobedience to the Government instructions. Thus he has violated Rule 3(1) & 12 of A.P.C.S. Conduct Rules 1964.

CHARGE – 3

That the said Sri K Vijaya Satyanand, while working as Assistant Section Officer, Finance Department has not submitted the Annual property Statements every year as he is supposed to furnish every year as per rules. This amounts to failure in maintaining discipline and a sense of propriety and thereby disobedience to the Government instructions. Thus he has violated Rule 3(1), 9(1) & 9(7) of A.P.C.S. Conduct Rules 1964.

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ANNEXURE – II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES AGAINST SRI K VIJAYA SATYANAND, THE THEN ASSISTANT SECTION OFFICER, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, NOW ASSISTANT SECTION OFFICER, RETIRED UNDER SUSPENSION.

CHARGE – 1

"That the said Sri K Vijaya Satyanand, while working as Assistant Section Officer, Finance Department has floated a Non Governmental Organization namely Organisation for Rural Education Development and misused the Water Shed Development funds to a tune of Rs.67.73 Lakhs. This amounts to failure in maintaining absolute integrity and a sense of propriety and thereby disobedience to the Government instructions. Thus he has violated Rule 3(1) (2) of A.P.C.S. Conduct Rules 1964."

Statement of Imputation:

The then Collector,Medak vide Lr No B2/358/99 dt 17.02.2001 & vide D.O Lr No B2/358/99 dt.4/2001 has reported that the then Assistant Section Officer, Finance Department has floated a Non Governmental Organization namely Organisation for Rural Education Development and got it registered under companies Regn Act and applied for allotment of water sheds for implementation as a NGO and obtained the sanction of 45 water sheds in Medak District, the above allotment of water she ds was done during the year 1996 to 1998.

Subsequently, certain complaints from various quarters are received against him and the complaints are got inquired into by the team of DPAP Officials, during the preliminary inquiry it was revealed that he has mis-used the water shed funds to the tune of Rs.67.33 Lakhs. Further, on show cause notice to the preliminary inquiry, the accused officer i..e, Sri K. Vijaya Satyanand the then Assistant Section Officer in his reply has made irresponsible statements i..e, "the District Collector and the Project Director are liable to be prosecuted under the provision of SC and ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, for humiliating him for suspension of water shed works without any fault "and informed that his action appears to be malafide intention of diverting the case from defrauding valuable public money and resorting to black mailing practices by threatening the Government servants while discharging the legitimate duties.

Thus, the then Assistant Section Officer has failed in maintaining absolute integrity and a sense of propriety and the misappropriation of the above said Government funds amounts to dereliction of duties which attracts violation of Rule 3(1) (2) of A.P.C.S. Conduct Rules 1964. Hence, the charge.

CHARGE – 2

"That the said Sri K Vijaya Satyanand, while working as Assistant Section Officer, Finance Department has set up a Non Governmental Organization namely Organisation for Rural Education Development, without permission of Government to undertake other than honorary work of a special or charitable nature. This amounts to failure in maintaining discipline and a sense of propriety and thereby disobedience to the Government instructions. Thus he has violated Rule 3(1) & 12 of A.P.C.S. Conduct Rules 1964."

Statement of Imputation:

As per report of the then collector, Medak vide Lr No B2/358/99 dt 17.02.2001, the then Assistant Section Officer, Finance Department has set up a Non Governmental Organization namely Organisation for Rural Education Development, without permission of Government to undertake other than honorary work of a special or charitable nature.

Under Rule 12 of of A.P.C.S. Conduct Rules 1964, no Government employee shall, except with the previous sanction of the Government under take any employment or work other than that connected with his official duties. The accused Officer has under taken a huge project with the Government funds for which he has not taken any permission or intimation to the Government, as the work performed is not in social or charitable nature,

Thus the then Assistant Section Officer has failed in maintaining discipline and a sense of propriety. Thus he has violated Rule 3(1) & 12 of A.P.C.S. Conduct Rules 1964. This amounts to dereliction of duties. Hence, the charge.

CHARGE – 3

" That the said Sri K Vijaya Satyanand, while working as Assistant Section Officer, Finance Department has not submitted the Annual property Statements every year as he is supposed to furnish every year as per rules. This amounts to failure in maintaining discipline and a sense of propriety and thereby disobedience to the Government instructions. Thus he has violated Rule 3(1), 9(1) & 9(7) of A.P.C.S. Conduct Rules 1964."

Statement of Imputation:

As per Rule 9 of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, every Government employee should submit to Government the Annual Property Statement before 15th January of each year, but the then Assistant Section Officer, Finance Department has not submitted the Annual property Statements every year as he is supposed to furnish every year as per rules.

It is clear that the then Assistant Section Officer has failed in maintaining discipline and a sense of propriety. Thus he has violated Rule 3(1), 9(1) & 9(7) of A.P.C.S. Conduct Rules 1964. This amounts to dereliction of duties. Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF WITNESS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. VIJAYA SATYANAND, THE THEN ASSISTANT SECTION OFFICER, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, NOW ASSISTANT SECTION OFFICER, RETIRED UNDER SUSPENSION IS PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

"NIL"

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ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. VIJAYA SATYANAND, THE THEN ASSISTANT SECTION OFFICER, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, NOW ASSISTANT SECTION OFFICER, RETIRED UNDER SUSPENSION IS PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

1. Lr.No.B2/358/99, dated:17.02.2001, received from the District Collector/ Chairperson, Drought Prone Area Programme, Medak at Sangareddy.

2. Memo.No.8805/Ser.B/2001-1, dated:26.02.2001

3. D.O.Lr.No.B2/358/99, dated: 4/2001, received from the Collector & District Magistrate, Medak district.

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